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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

## EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, No. 2:24-CR-00050-MKD-2

Plaintiff,

v.

MIRANDA JO JOHNSON (2),

Defendant.

STIPULATED PROTECTIVE ORDER REGARDING COMPUTER FORENSIC REVIEW PROCEDURES

FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CONTRABAND

**ECF No. 34** 

Before the Court is the parties' Stipulation Regarding Computer Forensic Review Procedures for Child Pornography Contraband. ECF No. 34. Given the nature of the allegations in this case, the parties move to impose forensic review procedures pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3509(m). The court has reviewed the record and the motion, including the parties' stipulations therein, and finds good cause to grant the motion.

## Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

The parties' Stipulation Regarding Computer Forensic Review
 Procedures for Child Pornography Contraband, ECF No. 34, is GRANTED.

ORDER - 1

- 2. 18 U.S.C. § 3509(m) applies to this case, and the Court is required to deny defense requests to copy, photograph, duplicate, or otherwise reproduce material constituting child pornography if the government makes the material reasonably available to Defendant and provides an ample opportunity for the defense to examine it at a government facility. See 18 U.S.C. § 3509(m).
- 3. In order to comply with 18 U.S.C. § 3509(m), and to allow Defendant the greatest opportunity to prepare an effective defense in preparation for trial in this matter, the government will make a true forensic extraction and/or image of devices and media containing alleged child pornography contraband at issue in the above-referenced case. The government will make that forensic extraction and/or image reasonably available to Defendant and provide ample opportunity for the defense team to examine it at a government facility in Spokane, Washington. The parties may readdress the Court if there is a need for additional or after-hours access during the course of litigation in the event trial or motion hearings require additional forensic review.
- 4. The defense forensic examination will be conducted in an interview room monitored by closed-circuit television ("CC-TV"), without audio feed.

  While the TV with non-audio feed will ensure the integrity of FBI/HSI space and security of its occupants, the video feed is not of sufficient detail or at an angle that would reveal defense strategy. The government and its agents expressly agree that

no attempt will be made to record any audio from the workstation and that no
attempt will be made to observe the defense team's work product or computer
monitor screen at any time. The defense expert may review the feed to ensure that
defense strategy is not being compromised at any time while conducting the
forensic review.

- 5. The defense team<sup>1</sup> shall not make, nor permit to be made, any copies of the alleged child pornography contraband pursuant to this Protective Order and shall not remove any contraband images from the government facility. The defense expert will be allowed to copy any file that is not contraband and compile a report (without contraband images/videos) documenting the examination on removable media at the discretion of the defense expert.
- 6. The designated defense expert will leave at the government facility any equipment, including hard drives, which contain child pornography contraband that is identified during forensic evaluation. The parties may readdress this matter with the Court upon notice that the defense intends to retain a different defense expert.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> For purposes of this Protective Order, the term "defense team" refers solely to Defendant's counsel of record, Sandy D. Baggett, ("defense counsel"), Defendant's designated expert ("defense expert"), and a defense investigator.

7. For the purpose of trial, the government agrees to make available a digital copy of any government trial exhibit that contains contraband, which will be kept in the custody and control of the case agent. Upon reasonable notice by the defense, the case agent will also maintain for trial digital copies of any proposed defense exhibit that contains contraband. If the defense team intends to offer, publish, or otherwise utilize any government or defense exhibit contained on the digital copy maintained by the case agent during trial, the case agent shall assist the defense team in publishing or utilizing the exhibit that contains contraband upon notification by the defense team.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.** The Clerk's Office is directed to enter this Order and provide copies to all counsel.

**DATED** April 19, 2024.

<u>s/Mary K. Dimke</u> MARY K. DIMKE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE